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## **Alcohol and You**







#### **Facts about Alcohol**

- In the U.S., one in every 13 adults get into serious trouble due to their drinking
- 700,000 Americans receive treatment for alcoholism on any given day
- Alcohol-related problems cost society 185 billion dollars annually
- Alcohol and medication interactions maybe a factor in 25% of emergency room admissions







#### **Facts about Alcohol**

- Nearly one half of all highway fatalities involve either a driver or a pedestrian who has been drinking (Nationwide)
- One in 17 cars on the road are DWI, Nationwide
- One third of drunk drivers are repeat offenders
- The mixing of alcohol and prescribed medications or illegal drugs can lead to death
- It is illegal to buy, possess or consume alcohol if you are under the age of 21





#### **A Standard Drink**

- One 12 ounce bottle of beer
- One 4 ounce glass of wine
- One 1.5 ounce of distilled spirits

# All of the above contain the same amount of alcohol











#### **Assess your Drinking**

The Audit (Alcohol Use Discorders Identification Test) was developed by the World Health Organization.

Answer the following questions about your use of alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, vodka, etc.) as it relates to the past 12 months.

Score your answers on a piece of paper using the bold numbers in front of each answer.





# It is important to remember:

that when taking this questionnaire, the scale only suggests that you may want to consider seeking assistance and is not based on fact, merely suggesting that a lifestyle change may need to occur.

NOTE: This in no way replaces the need for medical or psychological





- How often do you have drink containing alcohol?
  - **0** Never **1** Monthly **2** 2-4 Times a month
  - **3** 2-3 times a week **4** 4 or more times a week





How many drinks containing alcohol do you have in typical day when you are drinking?

**0** - 1-2 **1** - 3-4 **2** - 5-6

**3** – 7-9 **4** – 10 or more





- 3. How often do you have six or more drinks on one occasion?
  - **0** Never **1** Less than Monthly **2** Monthly
  - 3 Weekly 4 Daily or almost daily





- 4. How often during the last year have you found that you were not able to stop drinking once you started?
  - **0** Never **1** Less than Monthly **2** Monthly
  - 3 Weekly 4 Daily or almost daily





- 5. How often during the past year have you failed to do what was normally expected from you because of drinking?
  - **0** Never **1** Less than Monthly **2** Monthly
  - 3 Weekly 4 Daily or almost daily





- 6. How often during the last year have you needed a first drink in the morning to get yourself going after a heavy drinking session?
  - session? • Never 1 - Less than Monthly 2 - Monthly
  - 3 Weekly 4 Daily or almost daily





- 7. How often during the last year have you had a feeling of guilt or remorse after drinking?
  - **0** Never **1** Less than Monthly **2** Monthly
  - 3 Weekly 4 Daily or almost daily





- How often during the last year have you 8. been unable to remember what happened the night before because you had been drinking? • Never 1 - Less than Monthly 2 - Monthly

  - 3 Weekly 4 Daily or almost daily





- 9. Have you or any one else been injured as a result of your drinking?
  - **0** Never **1** Less than Monthly **2** Monthly
  - 3 Weekly 4 Daily or almost daily





- 10. Has a relative, friend, doctor or health worker been concerned about your drinking or suggested you cut down?
  - **0** Never **1** Less than Monthly **2** Monthly
  - 3 Weekly 4 Daily or almost daily





#### **Scoring the AUDIT**

- The minimum score is 0 and would represent a non-drinker or someone who is now abstinent
- A score as low as "8" or more indicates a strong likelihood or "Hazardous/Harmful" alcohol consumption
- The maximum possible score is 40.
  Anyone remotely close to this score should seek professional help as soon as possible

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# DO YOU OR SOMEONE THAT YOU KNOW NEED HELP?

If so, call or visit:

**Army Substance Abuse Program - Clinic** 

**Schofield Barracks Medical Clinic** 

**Building 673, Glennan Road - 1st Floor** 

(downstairs from Physical Exams and Public Health Nursing)

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